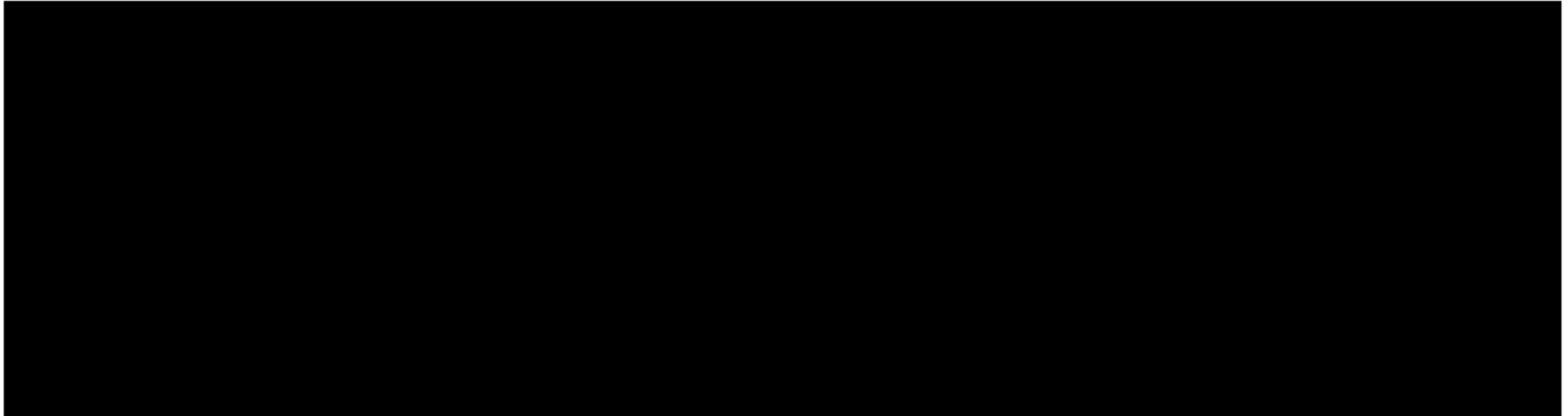


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Date: July 24, 2013, 8:21:49 AM MDT

To: "Johnston, Mark" <Mark.Johnston@hud.gov>



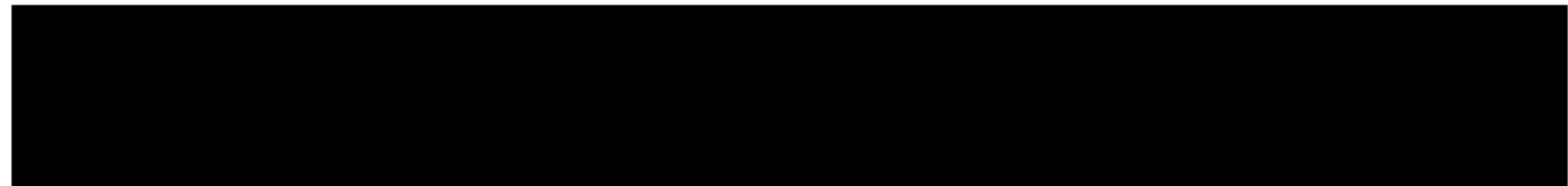
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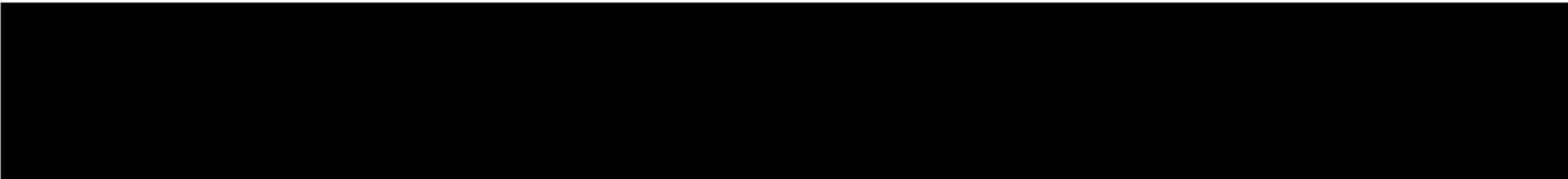
Thank you.

From: Johnston, Mark [mailto:Mark.Johnston@hud.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, July 23, 2013 6:37 PM

To: Clifford, Tom, DFA





Subject: Re: HUD Response to DFA Request re: Cutting of Admin Funds

We are reviewing your letter. I held a meeting on this subject with Renee and others today. She is correct that HUD will not limit your administrative funds effective August 1.

Once we have finished reviewing the information you provided we will be in contact.

Sincerely,

Mark Johnston

On Jul 23, 2013, at 5:44 PM, "Clifford, Tom, DFA" <Tom.Clifford@state.nm.us> wrote:

Mr. Jones and Mr. Johnston,

This email is to confirm the content of phone conversations that my staff and I had this afternoon with Renee Ryles, HUD Director for the Office of Field Management, with respect to our request for assistance regarding the threat from the New Mexico Office of Community Planning and Development (NMCPD) to limit the availability of administrative funds to the State of New Mexico effective August 1, 2013.

Director Ryles informed DFA that she and other HUD staff are in the process of reviewing our request. She stated that it would take some additional time for their staff to review our request prior to a response, and also said she will coordinate with Deputy Assistant Secretary Mark Johnston's office to set up the meeting with DFA staff later this week.

Ms. Ryles stated that HUD will not take the threatened action to limit administrative funds effective August 1, 2013. DFA's understanding is that prior to any limitation of funding, HUD will provide the required notice and opportunity for a hearing in accordance with 42 USC § 5311(a) and 24 C.F.R. § 570.496. DFA also understands that the July 8, 2013 letter from the NMCPD Director does not constitute such notice.

I would appreciate a return email confirming or clarifying HUD's agreement with DFA's understanding by 12:00 noon MDT on Wednesday July 24.

Thank you for your attention and in particular for the timely response by your staff to our request.

Thomas Clifford, PhD

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